

**Alleged malpractice in Sale of LPG
Cylinders**

4753. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the coupon system was introduced by the Indian Oil Corporation in Delhi to check malpractices by the LPG dealers;

(b) whether it has been mandatory for all consumers to buy these coupons;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the gas cylinders are being sold by these LPG dealers to road-side tea shops and dhabas; and

(e) the details of the checks being exercised by the IOC over these dealers making hefty premium on that account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATU-
RAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S.
RISHAN KUMAR): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). No proven case has been

reported by Indian Oil Corporation.

(e) Field Officers of the company are under instructions to conduct regular/surprise/joint inspection of the LPG distributors.

**Ongoing Irrigation Projects in Madhya
Pradesh**

4754. KUMARI VIMLA VERMA: Will the
Minister of WATER RESOURCES be
pleased to state:

(a) the details of each of the on-going irrigation projects in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether some of them are running behind schedule;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the extent of cost-escalation in each case as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-
SOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN
SHUKLA): (a) to (d). A statement giving the details of ongoing Major and Medium Irrigation Projects in Madhya Pradesh is enclosed.